

FARMERS BRANCH

Manske Library

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Welcome to the Farmers Branch Manske Library



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Farmers Branch, Texas 75234
972.247.2511

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Regular hours

Monday through Thursday
10 am to 9 pm
Friday and Saturday
10 am to 6 pm
Sunday
1 to 5 pm

Holiday hours

Labor Day, September 7
Closed
Thanksgiving Holiday
November 25
10 AM to 5 PM
November 26-27
Closed

Library Board

The Farmers Branch Manske Library Board meets every second Thursday of the month at 7:15 pm in the library conference room.

The Board considers requests from the community for the purchase of materials and services, makes recommendations to the City Council and reviews the written input citizens have placed in the suggestion box.

The Board also keeps current with trends and advances in public libraries and with the Manske Library and its collections and services.

Getting a library card For Farmers Branch, Carrollton and Addison residents, a library card is free with a photo ID and current residence verification. Residents of other cities with a TexShare card will be able to obtain a library card for free with a photo ID and current residence verification, or they may pay an annual fee in lieu of a TexShare card. For children under the age of 17, a parent or guardian must present a photo ID and current residence verification, and TexShare card if applicable. Internet Guest cards are available to adults with a photo ID for \$25 annually.

Inside the library

- There are 32 desktop computers and seven laptops available with Microsoft Office suite.
- Study rooms with locking doors are available downstairs on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- Wi-Fi is accessible throughout the building.

Meeting facilities

- The Farmers Branch Manske Library meeting facilities include a meeting room with a maximum capacity of 150 people, a conference room with a capacity of 24 and an outdoor amphitheater.
- An application for meeting room use must be submitted 14 days in advance of the date requested. For further information, please see our meeting room policy and the application online.

Using your library card

- With your library card, you may check out materials and use public computers in the library. You may also access electronic resources such as ebooks and databases using your library card number and PIN from home.
- The total number of materials checked out on a card is limited to 50, 10 of which may be DVDs and seven may be magazines.
- Books, audiobooks and music CDs check out for three weeks, DVDs and magazines check out for seven days.
- You may renew materials in person, through the online catalog or by phone up to 10 times if those items are not requested by another patron.
- To use the automated telephone renewal system, dial 972.919.9822. You will need to have your library card number and PIN.
- Materials can be returned either inside the library or outside bookdrop.

Fines and other charges

- A 10-cent per day per item fine is charged for books, audiobooks, CDs and magazines not returned by the due date.
- A \$1 per day per item fine is charged for DVDs not returned by the due date.
- Lost or damaged items are billed based on the cost of the item.
- Accounts are blocked from any use if fines exceed \$30.

Farmers Branch City Council 2014-2015

First row (from left) Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Harold Froehlich, City Manager Gary D. Greer, Councilmember Ana Reyes.
Second Row (from left) Mayor Pro Tem Kirk Connally, Mayor Bob Phelps, Councilmember Mike Bomgardner, Councilmember John Norwood.



What's new and upcoming at Manske

Introducing: 3D Printing at the Library

3D printing is an exciting 21st century trend that is rapidly expanding in popularity. We are pleased to introduce the innovative Makerbot Replicator to our library community and look forward to exploring three-dimensional possibilities. Since libraries are known for their digital and information leadership, it makes sense that we would want to provide this opportunity for all ages to explore new skills that help them thrive in the high-tech world.

So what can you do with a 3D printer? 3D printing is the process of making three dimensional solid objects from a digital file. The 3D printer uses plastic filament to create a myriad of objects for home, work, or school. With free websites such as Tinkercad, users are able to familiarize themselves with a simple CAD platform (computer automated design) which is initially required to create your design. Finished products can range from a simple toy to a more functional cooking utensil. The only limitation to what can be printed, is your imagination! We encourage you to try one of our TinkerCademy 3D classes offered this fall, and "get your tech on!" Classes are free of charge.

Get Caught Reading

This fall, take part in our community-wide initiative: "Get Caught Reading." Promote the joy of reading and learning! Whether you, or someone else, is reading in the library, on vacation, in the park, or at work... take a picture. Bring your photo to the library to be posted on our Community Bulletin Board, or upload to Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram using the hashtag #getcaughtreadinginfb. Library staff and teen volunteers will be on-the-lookout throughout the city capturing opportunities to snap a picture. During the month of September, visit the library to have your mugshot taken with a Banned Book, join our Bookalicious book discussion for adults, participate in interactive book bingo for youth, watch a Saturday evening outdoor family movie, and attend our special program about homing-pigeons on a Sunday afternoon. Read more about all of our upcoming programs this fall, and hopefully you will be encouraged to Get Caught Reading!

Spotlight on E-Resources: *Mango Languages*

Want to learn another language? Mango offers access to 60 foreign language courses and 17 English courses taught completely in the user's native language. In addition to traditional language courses, Mango also offers the opportunity to learn through foreign film, as well as a variety of specialty mini courses, such as medical Spanish. Each lesson combines real life situations and audio from native speakers with clear, simple instructions. Mango is free for all library card holders and can be accessed in the library, remotely, and on mobile devices through the Mango app!

Gallery Exhibitions this Fall

Watercolor Works

August 29 - October 2

Inspiration and dexterity in the use of transparent watercolor is being displayed by the Wednesday Painters of Artisan's Stuido Gallery, working under guidance of Naomi Brotherton, nationally known watercolor instructor. Participants are encouraged to develop their own style choosing their own favorite subjects such as landscapes, florals, and figures.

Farmers Branch-Carrollton Art Association Fall Show

October 3 - October 30

The Farmers Branch-Carrollton Art Association hosts its annual Fall Juried Show. Members display original artwork in various media. An opening reception will be held October 4 at 2 pm.

Farmers Branch-Carrollton Art Association Student Scholarship Fall Show

October 31 - December 4

The Farmers Branch-Carrollton Art Association sponsors the Student Art Show with an exhibit of work from high school art students. This student show displays an impressive range of creative expression and experimentation with different media.

Adult Events

Get Caught Reading!

Join us this fall for our community reading initiative - Get Caught Reading! Stop by the library in September to have your mugshot taken with a banned book, join the Bookalicious book discussion for adults, participate in interactive Book Bingo for youth, and enjoy an outdoor movie in the amphitheater. Don't forget to share all your great bookish pictures with us on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram: #getcaughtreadinginFB.

Great Books Discussion Group

3rd Monday of the month, 7 to 9 pm, January - October

Join us to discuss poems, essays, plays and other literature. Each literary work should be read prior to the meeting. Upcoming readings: **September:** *The Lottery* by Shirley Jackson; **October:** *Selected Poems* by Lisel Mueller.

ESL Classes

Mondays & Thursdays, 7 to 8:30 pm

English classes are offered twice a week to learners of all skill levels. Lessons are week to week, so continual attendance is not required.

Citizenship Classes

Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 6 to 8:30 pm, beginning October 13

Citizenship classes offered by the Catholic Charities of Dallas, Inc. Refugee & Empowerment Services are held quarterly at the library. For registration, contact Rigo Aguilar at 972-246-6028.

Writers' Group

2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month, 10 am to 12 pm

This group is for writers who want to share and discuss their work with other local scribes. Poetry, non-fiction and all genre interests are invited.

Farmers Branch Library Book Club

3rd Tuesday of the month, 10 am to 12 pm, September - June

Meet us to discuss books and authors. A specific theme is the focus of each meeting, and participants may read and discuss a book of their choice relating to the topic. Upcoming themes: **September:** reader's choice; **October:** philosophy; **November:** western.

Poetry Reading

2nd Wednesday of the month, 1 to 3 pm

Can't talk to your friends about Maya Angelou or William Butler Yeats? Come to this monthly poetry group designed for those who enjoy reading and appreciating poetry. All are welcome.

Knit Wits

Wednesdays, 5 to 6 pm

If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, or would like to learn, please join us at our informal group knitting circle. Share ideas or just sit back and enjoy this relaxing craft. We also participate in charitable causes like Warm Up America, where we come together to make afghans for people in need.

Brookhaven Music Series

Saturday, October 24, 2 pm

Enjoy performances by Brookhaven College musical groups at the library!

Saturday, October 24, 2 pm: Vocal Jazz

Saturday, November 7, 2 pm: Classical Guitar Ensemble

Saturday, November 14, 2 pm: Opera Workshop

Saturday, November 21, 2 pm: Electric Guitar Ensemble

The Computer Coach is IN

by appointment only, Monday-Thursday, 2 to 7pm

Need to learn the ropes of Windows, the Internet, or social media like Twitter, LinkedIn, and Facebook? Or could you use some basic to advanced coaching on Microsoft Office? Maybe you're not feeling exactly at home on your tablet or smartphone? To schedule a session, call 972.918.9806.

Library Murder Mystery

Friday, September 4, 6:30pm

Join the Library as we host an after-hours Library Murder Mystery Masquerade. Enjoy hors d'oeuvres with strange and interesting characters from all around as you try to solve the mysterious murder that takes the library by storm. Figure out who did it... and why. This event is limited to 30 adults who must sign up in advance. Each person in attendance will receive a character to play prior to the event. Come dressed to impress and ready to solve the crime!

Outdoor Movie: E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial

Saturday, September 5, dusk

Join us for a screening of this 1982 classic in the Library's outdoor amphitheater. Bring the blankets and your family, and we will provide snacks and a good time.

Square Foot Gardening

Thursday, September 17, 7pm

Would you like to start a garden, but don't have much space or time? Join us for a square foot gardening class by Dallas County Master Gardener, Billy Clark, to learn how to obtain high yield in a small space with minimal effort.

Outdoor Movie: McFarland USA

Saturday, September 19, dusk

Join the Library for a screening of McFarland, USA in our outdoor amphitheater. Based on a true story, this inspirational movie is about a coach that transforms a team of athletes into cross country championship contenders. Snacks will be available, and don't forget the blankets!

Apps & Apps

Tuesday, October 6, 7 pm

Join us for a night of learning about the wonderful world of apps - appetizers included! We will cover fun services that the library offers, including Hoopla, Freegal, OneClick Digital, and more. We will have devices available for use, and appetizers will be served. Or bring your own device and get started today!

Dallas Songwriters Association Showcase

Saturday, October 17, 3 pm

The Dallas Songwriters Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to the support and benefit of songwriters. There are events during every week of the month such as song swaps, open mics, and meetings which include song critiques, showcases, and special events. While members are welcome to join in all event, the performers at showcases and special events are by invitation only and represent the best songwriters the association has to offer. Come enjoy a variety of their songwriting and musical talent.

Art Doll Creations

Wednesday, October 21, 6 pm

Just in time for the holidays, join us for a presentation on the making of polymer clay dolls and paper mache dolls. Caren Khan will demonstrate the building of the wire armature and the base, and provide sculpting tips for both clay and paper mache dolls. Also, find out how to make clothing and props! Finished dolls will be on display.

Farmers Branch Writers Organization Book Signing

Saturday, October 31, 2 pm

This event hosted by the Farmers Branch Writers Organization promises something for all readers. This group of local authors will be launching six new books, including science fiction, historical biography, poetry, romance, and children's picture books. Moreover, authors will don costumes of their characters, share Halloween treats and raffle original artwork and books.

Fossils in North Texas

Tuesday, November 10, 7 pm

Join Tom Dill of the Dallas Paleontological Society to learn about the geological history of North Texas. He will discuss and show some of the typical fossils from the area, as well as some of the rarer, more spectacular ones. Plus, find out some of the best places to go to find your own!

Youth & Teen Events

TinkerCademy

Saturday, September 26, October 10, & October 24, 1 pm

3D printing is an exciting new technology trend that's redefining the way we manufacture physical products. Learn to design 3D objects using TinkerCAD, and see our 3D printer in action! Open to all ages (including adults!). Children 10 and under must be accompanied by a caregiver.

Reading Under the Stars

Tuesday, September 29, 7 pm

Join us for an evening of reading outside in the library's amphitheater. We'll read stories together, sing songs and make s'mores. Bring a flashlight and a blanket and we'll bring the books. In case of inclement weather this event will move inside the Meeting Room.

Blast Off! At the Library

Wednesday, October 14, 4 pm

Do you love space? Join us for an out-of-this-world adventure! In this STEM program, we will explore science and technology hands-on with craters, comets, and rockets. Learn about moon craters, test out your engineering skills with straw rockets and explore chemistry by creating edible comets! Ages 7 - 12 recommended.

Zombie Animals

Monday, October 26, 4:30 pm

Like zombies? Or maybe just creating something really weird? Then come down to the library for a great time turning innocent stuffed animals into masterpieces of zombie art! Recommended for ages 12 and up.

Boo-Ville Bash & Pumpkin Patch

Wednesday, October 28, 6 pm

Celebrate Halloween at the library with a fun-filled romp through the Boo-ville Pumpkin Patch or one of our many exciting activities like Spider Toss and Pin the Tie on Mr. Bone! Come dressed in your best costume and try for first place in our costume contest!

Novel in November

Monday, November 2 & 23, 5 pm

Trying to finish that book you've had on your computer for years? Trying to start it? Need a mid-November boost for your NaNoWriMo project? Stop by for writing sprints, word challenges and other activities to break that writer's block and keep that word count flowing! Recommended for ages 12 and up.

Clifford's Big Story Time

Tuesday, November 3, 7 pm

Bring the whole family and join us for a special story time with a in-person visit by everyone's favorite big red dog - Clifford!

Pioneer Day

Monday, November 16, 4:30 pm

Try on some pioneer clothes and have a great time as we try out a classic pioneer activity - churning butter! Enjoy your hard work on crackers while guzzling down some refreshing lemonade. All ages welcome!

Minecraft Competition

Tuesday, November 17, 6 pm

Face off in a team competition to see who can build the best creation in Minecraft! Space is limited and all participants must sign-up in advance at the Children's Desk. Ages 7 - 14 welcome!

Babybounce

Tuesdays, 10:15 am, September 8 - December 1

Join us for stories, nursery rhymes, music, and movement with your newest family member! Ages 0 to 18 months with a caregiver.

Family Story Time

Tuesdays, 7 pm, September 8 - December 1

A story time for the whole family with books, songs, rhymes and movement activities that build language and literacy skills.

Toddler Story Time

Wednesdays, 10:15 am, September 9 - December 2

Children ages 12-36 months accompanied by a caregiver can enjoy playful age-appropriate stories, music and toys.

Cool After School

Wednesdays, 4 pm, September 9 - December 2

Join us weekly for crafts, games and reading fun. Ages 6-12 recommended.

Preschool Story Time

Thursdays, 10:15 am, September 10 - December 3

Join us for stories, music and activities to enhance your child's reading skills. Includes a take-home project. Ages 3-7 with a caregiver.

Homework Help

Thursdays, 6 pm, September 17 - December 3

Stumped by a homework problem? Frustrated by fractions? Come to the library to get help from one of our wonderful teen volunteers or work with your peers. Please bring a problem that is ready to be solved. Ages 7-12 or grades 1st to 6th.

Lego Mania

Second Friday of the month, 4 pm, September 11 - November 13

Join us for exciting Lego building action! Write your name on your Lego Builders card for a chance to have your creation displayed in the library.

Readers are Leaders

Tuesday, September 8 & October 13, 7 pm

Special read-aloud story times with community leaders. Hear how reading has inspired and encouraged them to be their best.

Crazy Book Trailers

Tuesday, September 22, 6 pm

Form your own film crew and film a trailer for your favorite book or a story of your own creation! Use our iPads to film, edit and present your trailer. Spice your trailer up with backgrounds using iMovie. Assorted props provided by the library. BYOB (Bring Your Own Book). Recommended for ages 12 and up.

The Secret Life of Pigeons

Sunday, September 27, 2 pm

Flock to our pigeon presentation and see actual homing pigeons from the Trinity River Audubon Center. Discover the truth about these mysterious birds - how they can fly up to 600-700 miles a day, how they find their way home, and how brave pigeons were awarded the Dickin's Medal of Honor during the war. Participants will write messages to insert into the pigeons' leg capsules before they are released back to their Trinity River home. Messages are posted on Facebook. You won't want to miss this one!

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